

REMARKS

The Application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Advisory Action mailed July 27, 2004. In order to advance prosecution of this Application, Claims 13 and 15-17 have been amended and Claims 5-10, 18-21, and 24-33 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and favorable action in this Application.

Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of Claims 11, 12, 14, 22, 23, and 34. Claims 13 and 15-17 have been amended to include allowable limitations identified by the Examiner. Claims 5-10, 18-21, and 24-33 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer for possible continued prosecution in a continuation application so that Claims 11-17, 22, 23, and 34 can proceed to issuance.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, and for other reasons clearly apparent, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims.

If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference would advance prosecution of this Application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the Examiner's convenience.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of BAKER BOTTS L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted,

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